Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 04 Nov 2020 until 23:59 on Thursday 05 Nov 2020

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 03 Nov 2020 at 15:18 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for becoming generally more settled through the rest of the week but lower for details regarding cloud and the chance of rain over the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 04 Nov 2020: Bright morning with sunny spells, cloudier afternoon with evening rain. Strong to gale force westerly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 04 Nov 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	20%	10%	<05%	20%	60%	60%

Forecast for Wednesday 04 Nov 2020

Weather: Any occasionally heavy showers, falling as snow above about 800m, becoming less frequent through the early hours with clear spells developing. Any showers die out soon after dawn to leave a bright morning with some sunny spells developing. However cloud thickens though the afternoon with outbreaks of rain moving west through the late afternoon and evening, the rain perhaps occasionally heavy.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75% at dawn with occasional cloud above 600m soon rising close to 100% with little or no cloud below summit level. Chances fall to close to zero in the west during the late afternoon with periods or persistent cloud above 600m and patches below developing but near 40% in the east with cloud more occasional above 600m.

Visibility: Very good falling to several kilometres in showers and rain and a kilometre or less in snow showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	28/38 W	31/41 NW	26/35 W	24/32 W	25/35 W	28/38 SW	34/46 SW	36/49 SW	33/47 SW
900	27/38 W	30/41 NW	25/34 W	23/32 W	24/34 W	27/38 SW	32/44 SW	34/48 SW	32/46 SW
600	18/29 W	19/30 NW	16/25 W	14/23 W	17/27 W	19/29 SW	22/34 SW	23/37 SW	22/36 SW
300	9/26 NW	9/27 NW	7/22 NW	8/21 W	9/25 W	10/25 SW	10/28 SW	12/30 SW	11/29 SW
Glen	15/27 NW	14/27 NW	12/22 NW	11/19 W	10/19 W	10/20 SW	10/20 SW	12/24 SW	12/24 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	0/-7	0/-8	-0/-8	0/-7	1/-6	1/-7	2/-6	3/-4	4/-2
900	1/-6	1/-7	1/-6	1/-6	2/-5	1/-6	2/-5	4/-4	5/-2
600	4/-2	3/-2	3/-2	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	6/0	7/2
300	6/3	6/3	6/3	6/3	7/4	6/4	7/4	8/5	8/6
Glen	9/6	9/6	9/6	9/6	9/7	9/7	9/7	10/8	11/8
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1100m	3300m	3300m	3100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Temperatures in sheltered southern and eastern glens close to freezing at dawn.

Forecast for Thursday 05 Nov 2020
Weather: Rather cloudy through much of the day with perhaps a little light drizzle. Best chance of any brighter skies expected towards the northern Great Glen.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30-40mph, with gusts around 65mph over northern ridges and summits, gradually easing 20-25mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance at first with periods or persistent cloud above about 450m. Chances improve through the morning to 25% as cloud becomes periods above 750m in west and nearer 75% in the east with cloud becoming occasional above 750m.

Visibility: Good, occasionally very good in east, but falling to several kilometres at times in drizzle.

Temperature: **Glens:** Around 5 or 6 Celsius at dawn rising to plus 12 Celsius.
At 800m: Around plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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